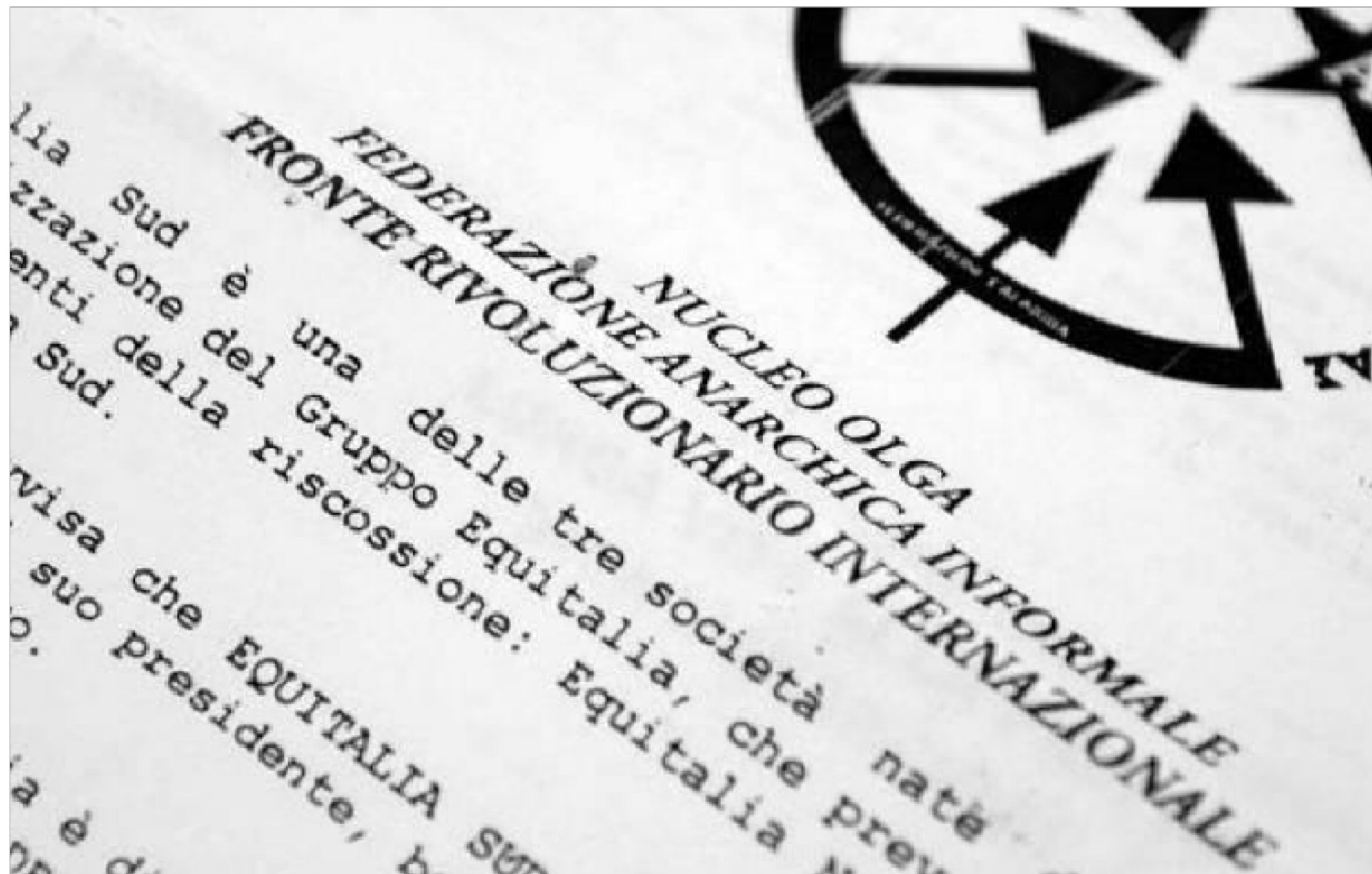


DARK NIGHTS



Alfredo Cospito: Class hatred & the myth of avenging anarchy

Below we reproduce a flyer disseminated by anarchist comrades in Italy, which contains an excerpt from Alfredo Cospito's book *Which International?* a publication that has been used as a justification by the Italian fascist state to incarcerate our comrade in the torturous isolation regime of 41 bis. We let this text and the following chronology of direct action, since Alfredo's conflict began, speak for themselves. His hunger strike has now passed 100 days and has resulted in his transfer to a prison hospital in Milan.

It should never be forgotten that the state is the murderer and the only answer is to continue the attack of vengeance upon all the existent...

You take away his voice, we give him back his word! A flyer not to forget the words Alfredo has always expressed and for which he is in 41 bis!

Comrades, now in the FSB building in Arkhangelsk there will be an attack, for which I take responsibility. The reasons for this are clear to you. In response to the FSB repressing, building frames, and torturing people, I have decided to strike it. Most likely, I will die from the explosion because I will trigger the bomb manually. Therefore, I request you to disseminate information about the attack: who carried it out and the reasons. Well, that is it. I wish you to go firmly and uncompromisingly toward our goal. Bright is the future of anarchist communism! - Mikhail Zhlobitsky

(October 31, 2018 attack claim against the FSB in Arkhangelsk, Russia)

It is also absurd to think that the class struggle is over; we are immersed in it up to our necks but unlike yesterday, the barbarization due to technological isolation (which each of us carries with him or her) deprives us of the real perception of the phenomenon as a whole. This barbarization entails a return to primordial, savage (thus purer) forms of class conflict. Mediating figures such as "unions" and "parties" are skipped. In the most technologically "advanced" part of the world, the social subject that once characterized the class of the oppressed, the "proletariat," has been replaced by an undefined and desperate class that has no self-awareness. Meanwhile, hatred, anger have accumulated saturating the air, making it unbreathable and ready to explode at the first spark of the right intensity. This is well known by the powers-that-be, who despite having less good cards in their hands than ours, play them to their best by fueling conflicts among the poor. But they are only palliatives, only barely effective. Unions and leftist parties no longer work. Their firefighting role has been replaced by weapons of mass distraction such as racism and patriotism. But how long can this last? The strategy of pitting poor against more poor is out of breath, time counted. General impoverishment due to the technological wave and resulting unemployment will defuse racism and patriotism, but only if we play our cards right.

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An Incomplete Direct Action Chronology in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito's conflict inside 41 bis



2022: May 22, Bologna, Italy: Two repeaters set on fire near Bologna with graffiti left at the scene reading... "Social war on state war".

May 27, Rome, Italy: Incendiary attack sets ablaze 10 cars of Enjoy carpooling service which belongs to the hydrocarbon multinational ENI. [Photo next page]

June 27, Rome, Italy: Parcel bomb sent to Alessandro Profumo, CEO of Leonardo S.p.A., the state-owned company that produces weapons of war and cutting-edge technological devices. The attack sees the *Informal Anarchist Federation* re-emerge in Italy with 'Augusto Masetti Brigade' claiming it, entitling the communique "Even the rich bleed".

August 3, Trento, Italy: Incendiary attack against vehicles at the military housing construction site. A tag 'War on war' was left on the spot.

August 21, Athens, Greece: Incendiary attack on a mobile phone antenna in Paleo Psychiko by *Anti-civilizational cell of total chaos and destruction FAI/ELF*.

August 21-22, Rome, Italy: A defacement of the mural dedicated to Falcone and Borsellino, anti-mafia prosecutors killed in 1992 by the mafia. [Pictured Above]

September 12, Cochabamba, Bolivia: Arson attack against a patrol car of the Special Force to Fight against Violence by 'La Negra Venganza-Nucleo Internacionalista y Antipatriarcal Fania Kaplan'.

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In the time it takes for us to readjust and to guarantee citizenship incomes (real and not truffaldini 1 like those of the "5 stars" 2) to everyone, the system will be exposed almost helplessly to our attacks. In that time, hatred will reach its peak and perhaps it will be the good time that anger in this unfortunate country will be directed toward the real perpetrators of misery: the state and the bosses.

Moreover, the popular madness over sovereignty is weakening parliamentary democracy by undermining it from the ground up. This sort of "populism" produces conflicting and irrational drives that are difficult for the very people who unleashed them to manage. Today the possibility that our action can open a breach becomes real. We must have clear ideas, conviction and tenacity to turn hatred from the field, to open the eyes of the exploited. Will and determination can turn back the clock of history, making us start again where we began to lose those two irreplaceable qualities. A century ago, we were overwhelmed by the force of an authoritarian "communism" that poisoned us with its fruits, "social democracy" and "dictatorship of the proletariat," which with their brutality brought the "myth" of the social revolution of the "sun of the future" and anarchy as concrete prospects for total liberation to a sunset. We claimed in our "modernity" that we did not need "myths," but in this way we killed utopia, the greatest weapon we had to subvert this world. Historically, we have focused too much on rationality, on science while neglecting the instincts of revolt, the feelings, the passions underlying the human.

We have lost sight of "the possibility of succeeding," and this has cowed us to such an extent that we fail to recognize, for example, the greatness of the gesture of one of our brothers, Mikhail Zhlobitsky, who blew himself up in the FSB headquarters in Arkhangelsk to avenge his comrades tortured by Russian cops. An incalculable contribution to the struggle, which the cynicism of a certain anarchism with superiority brands as martyrdom, a cult of sacrifice. But that will not prevent the propaganda with the fact of this very young comrade from acquiring today the founding value of a vital anarchy, ready to gamble everything to liberate this world. Things are changing fast, anarchists are awakening from their torpor.

Which International? by Alfredo Cospito, second edition, pp.44-47

1. Truffaldino also known as Harlequin, literally translates into English as 'fraudulent'. Central figure in the play 'The Servant of Two Masters' (Il servitore di due padroni). Alfredo is playing on the idea of someone who tries to please two masters.
2. Five Star Movement (Movimento 5 Stelle), a populist party of Italy, of the syncretic kind, due to its members' insistence that it has no place in the left-right political spectrum.



'Direct Action Chronology' continued...

September 20, Rome, Italy: Interruption of a democratic kermesse attended by Ken Loach & Noam Chomsky. A banner was unfurled that read 'Against every prison. 41 bis = torture. Freedom for Alfredo'. Leaflets were thrown and a text was read out in solidarity with Alfredo & against 41 bis.

September 25, Ger, France: Relay antennas destroyed by Group Fall 'Inevitable Informal Anarchist Fire'.

October 20, Italy: Anarchist Alfredo Cospito starts his hunger strike against 41 bis.

October 23, Athens, Greece: "Fear must change sides" incendiary/explosive attack on the house of the child rapist-pimp Elias Michos by Direct Action Cells. Amongst numerous anarchist comrades the action is also dedicated to Alfredo Cospito's hunger strike.



October 31, Leipzig, Germany: SPIE & MIELE vans set on fire in solidarity with the comrades on hunger strike.



October, Athens, Greece: Incendiary attacks against the homes of high-profile judges – Direct Action Cells/Sacco and Vanzetti Cell.



October 31, Berlin, Germany: Fire of Solidarity for Alfredo Cospito. A van belonging to the GA-Tec company is left a crisp by Autonomous Cell 'Anna Maria Mantini'

November 5, Anzola dell'Emilia, Italy: Responsibility claim for the arson attack against some MARR trucks in solidarity with anarchists Alfredo Cospito, Juan Sorroche, Ivan Alocco and Anna Beniamino.

November 5, Trambileno, Italy: Incendiary attack against a mobile telecommunications antenna in solidarity with Alfredo.



November 6, Milan, Italy: Occupation of the crane of the construction site of La Scala Theatre in solidarity with anarchist Alfredo Cospito.

November 6, Rome, Italy: Sabotage act against rail lines in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito on hunger strike.

November 10-11, Trento, Italy: Smashed windows at Deutsche Bank branch in solidarity with Alfredo, Juan, Ivan and Anna.

November 12, Rome, Italy: Streets blocked by anarchists for 3 hours in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito, Anna, Juan & Ivan. Clashes with cops outside Regina Coeli prison. *[Photo bottom]*

November 12, Rome, Italy: Shattered windows and smashed ATMs in solidarity with Alfredo.

November 12, Taggia, Italy: Arson attack against the MARR vehicles and warehouse in solidarity with the imprisoned anarchists on hunger strike.



November 15, Athens, Greece: In the lead up to the anniversary of the Polytechnic uprising '73. Arson attack on a DB Schenker truck, against the war industry & in solidarity with comrade Alfredo.

November 19, Athens, Greece: 'Life is not so good.' Incendiary attack on an LG van in Kaisariani.

November 21, Tuscany, Italy: Sabotage of a cable bundle in the Florence-Pisa Nord highway.

November 22, Buenos Aires, Argentina: Arson attack against police patrol car for Alfredo.

November 23, Berlin, Germany: 100 people at demo for Alfredo Cospito in the center of the city.

November 26, Carasco, Italy: Responsibility claim for an arson attack against MARR vehicles and warehouse.

November 27, Athens, Greece: 'Why burn SPEEDEX?', Arson attack on vehicles of SPEEDEX by 'Anarchist Threat'

November 28, Santiago, Chile: Explosive attack against the central offices of the chemical industry Oxiqum S.A., from *New Anarchist Subversion* - Alex Núñez Cell / FAI

November 30, Berlin, Germany: ATM set on fire against 41bis in Kreuzberg.

November, Fivizzano, Italy: 'Capitalism is voracious, our rage ferocious.' Claim of the incendiary attack against four CAT machines, by the *Informal Anarchist Conspiracy*.

December 1, Salzburg, Germany: Solidarity with Alfredo, Anna, Juan, Toby, Ivan / G4S car set on fire.

December 2, Lecce, Italy: Sabotage with expanding foam of electric car charging stations in solidarity with anarchists Alfredo Cospito, Anna Beniamino and Juan Sorroche.

December 2, Madrid, Spain: Windows smashed at Endesa's headquarters in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito,

December 2, Varedo, Italy: Attack on Lega *[nationalist & racist party]* headquarters in solidarity with Cospito.

December 6, Bremen, Germany: Prison profiteers SPIE and Dussmann vehicles slashed with spikes.



December 8, Athens, Greece: Explosive attack on the house of the First Counsellor of the Italian Embassy - "Carlo Giuliani" Vengeance Cell.

December 10, Madrid, Spain: Sabotage with fire to an electric car charger.

December 12, Hamburg, Germany: Incendiary attack on the HERTZ headquarters in the Wandsbek district.

December 12, La Paz, Bolivia: Explosive device attack on Italian embassy, against 41 bis & in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.

December 19, Italy: The surveillance court of Rome rejects the appeal against the 41 bis measure for anarchist Alfredo Cospito.



December 20, Grand Est, France: Attack on nuclear infrastructure of CIGEO in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.

Mid-December, Foligno, Italy: Windows of temporary employment agency Umana smashed in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito on hunger strike.

December 28, Patras, Greece: ΟΣΕ van delivered to flames in solidarity with Thanos Chatziaggelou & Alfredo Cospito.



December 29, Porto Alegre, Brazil: Oil attack on Italian Consulate in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.

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2023: January 1, Rome, Italy: *'Being where they don't expect.'* Arson attack against twenty-five Hertz vehicles, Greek police and their collaborators, in solidarity with anarchists on hunger strike and all anarchist and rebel prisoners worldwide

January 1, Rome, Italy: *Those who burn on New Year's Eve...* Incendiary attack on four Hertz vans in solidarity with Thanos Chatziangelou, Alfredo Cospito, Ivan Alocco, Anna Beniamino and Juan Sorroche.

January 1, Croix-Daurade, France: Fire of an electric car charging station in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito, also against a clean air zone & green capitalism.

January 3, Berlin, Germany: Burning of truck from the car rental company Hertz, also dedicated to the New Year riot in the Neukölln neighborhood.

January 4, Buenos Aires, Argentina: Incendiary attack on a Volkswagen car dealership in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito on an all-out hunger strike by *Individualist Anarchist*.

January 5, Hamburg, Germany: Arson attack on a truck of the company Strabag in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito and the fighters in Lützerath.

January 10, Lugano, Switzerland: Claim of incendiary attack on a university van from a faculty for technologies and sciences in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.

January 11, Serres, Greece: Responsibility claim for motor oil attack on local New Democracy president by *Dreamers of chaos*.

January 11, Leipzig, Germany: Anti-State-Attack in solidarity with the hunger strikers. A citizens administration and "Support"-center for criminal youth are damaged.

January 12, Bologna, Italy: Hammering of an ATM and an Amazon pickup point in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito, Ivan Alocco, Juan Sorroche, Anna Beniamino, Toby Shone and all the revolutionary prisoners.

January 12, Leipzig, Germany: Arson attack against Hertz vehicles in solidarity with anarchist prisoners.



January 12, Athens, Greece: Responsibility claim for the ambush with incendiary devices on the DIAS motorcycle cop group in the area of Zografou. One motorcycle is totally destroyed [above] & a cop is sent to hospital crying in agony. Alfredo's hunger strike is mentioned alongside the killing of 16-year-old Roma Kostas Fragoulis by a similar unit of cops in Thessaloniki.



January 13, Santiago, Chile: Bus set on fire outside the Ex-pedagógico (UMCE) and armed confrontation with guns against special forces of the carabineros by *Some incendiaries [This action is a late claim from November 4]*

January 16, Berlin, Germany: *You are the crisis* – Fleet of climate killer and crisis profiteer AMAZON set on fire – Solidarity with Lützerath and the prisoners on hunger strike.

January 19, Thessaloniki, Greece: Responsibility claim for incendiary attack on a bank in solidarity with anarchists Thanos Chatziangelou & Alfredo Cospito.

January 19, Berlin, Germany: *Fire for Green Capitalism – Solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.* An electric car charging station in Kreuzberg was set on fire.

January 22, Rome, Italy: Incendiary attack on some vehicles of Posteltaliane, Italgas and EnjoyEni.

January 28, Rome, Italy: Clashes and demo in Trastevere in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito on 101st day of hunger strike.



January 28, Turin, Italy: Incendiary attack on a telecommunications repeater in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito on hunger strike.



January 28, Rome, Italy: Arson attack on five TIM telecommunications company vehicles in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito, Juan Sorroche, Anna Beniamino, Ivan Alocco and all anarchist prisoners.

January 29, Spoleto, Italy: Attack on the villa of slaughterer Giorgio Del Papa, in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito and Anna Beniamino.



January 29, Milan, Italy: Incendiary attack against some cars of the local police in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito.

January 30, Italy: Anarchist comrade Alfredo Cospito, on the 103rd day of hunger strike, is transferred to the Opera hospital prison in Milan

Nothing is over, the struggle continues...

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